



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
3COM Case No. 2674.CS.US.P
(MBHB Case No. 99-837-A)

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In the application of:)

John G. Fijolek et al.)

Serial No.: 09/722,939)

Filed: November 27, 2000)

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR)
INTEGRATING IP ADDRESS)
RESERVATIONS WITH)
POLICY PROVISIONING)

Examiner: Mehmet B. Geckil

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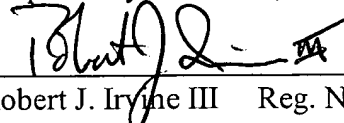
Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application,

1. I am transmitting herewith the attached:
 - a) Response to Office action mailed April 7, 2004;
 - b) Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time; and
 - c) Return Receipt Postcard.
2. With respect to additional fees:
 - a) A check in the amount of \$420.00 is enclosed; and
 - b) Please charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account, No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
3. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1 hereinabove, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on June 21, 2004.

Date: June 21, 2004

Respectfully submitted,


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

On April 7, 2004, the Office mailed a Restriction Requirement, requiring restriction of this application to one of two groups of claims, which the Examiner defined as follows:

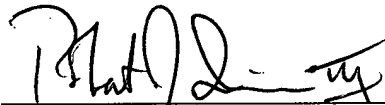
I. Claims 1-18, drawn to a network system for policy provisioning and access managing including configuration file identifier mapping particulars, class of service particulars, and global configuration option particulars, classified in class 709, subclass 220.

II. Claims 19-37, drawn to a data-over-cable system particulars including querying by third net device particulars, IP address pool particulars, and determining whether the network access device is an allowed network particulars classified in class 709, subclass 225.

ELECTION

In compliance with MPEP Section 818, Applicants elect group I without prejudice. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of Claims 19-37 in a divisional application.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Robert J. Irvine III', written over a horizontal line.

By Robert J. Irvine III
Reg. No. 41,865

Date: June 21, 2004